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Issue Regarding Status of Alexandria County

RECENTLY REVIVED

MATTER LIKELY TO BE SETTLED BY COURTS.

Citizens of the Disputed Territory Deeply Interested-Views of Leading Property Owners.

Shall it be Alexandria City and county, D. C., or shall the designation remain as it s, Alexandria city and county, Va.?

That is the question that is being asked by three classes of citizens-those who reside on the Virginia side of the Potomac within the bounds of the tract which originally comprised the District of Columbia, the citizens of the District as it is now constituted, and several keepers of pool ooms and other resorts near the south end of Long bridge.

Recent developments in connection with he conduct of these resorts, the arrest of their proprietors and the application for a writ of habeas corpus by the arrested men have served to bring into prominence again the long-mooted question as to whether or not the retrocession of that part of the original District of Columbia lying south of the Potomac river to the state of Virginia was unconstitutional.

was unconstitutional.

The particular contention of the pool room and race track people is that Alexander Island, that part of Alexandria county lying nearest to Long bridge, on which their resorts are located, is a part of the District of Columbia, and therefore under the jurisdiction of the authority of the District instead of the state of Virginia. They are now awaiting the decision of Judge Waddill of Richmond. Before the United States court over which he presides this question has been raised by an application for a writ of habeas corpus in the case of John C. Nelson and James La Fontaine, recently arrested at Jackson City, as published at the rested at Jackson City, as published at the time in The Star, charged with having conducted a pool room there. The application for the writ is based upon the contention that the territory on which their alleged pool room was operated is a part of the District of Columbia and not of Virginia.

Pool Rooms in Operation. In the meantime, it is said, the pool rooms are again operating at full blast, while

States would acquire through the return of the Virginia district exclusive control of both banks of the Potomac, thus getting rid of much annoyance in matters pertaining to bridges and the Virginia banks of

the Potomac.

the Potomac.

In this connection it may be stated that the United States already controls about 1,100 acres in Alexandria county in the Arlington and Fort Myer reservations.

One of the contentions of the people of Alexandria county in favor of the retrocession, at the time the vote was taken on the matter, was that the people on the north bank of the Potomac had all the improvements, while those on the Virginia side were taxed for the improvements, but received none of the accruing advantages.

Mr. Frank Hume in talking with a Star reporter last night about the original tract of land which comprised the District of Columbia said in the venerable lighthouse at Jones' Point, near Alexandria, is an old stone built in the wall which marks the starting point of the first District survey. From that point the tract extends in about diamond shape. Mr. Hume wrote a communication, which he says was published in The Star about thirty years ago, calling attention to the old stone in the lighthouse.

Mr. Hume said it was generally understood that Jackson City, at the south end of Long bridge, was laid off by the admirers of "Old Hickory" with the view of having large and prosperous twin cities on the north and south banks of the Potomac—Washington on one side and Jackson City on the other. President Jackson is the north and south banks of the Potomac —Washington on one side and Jackson City on the other. President Jackson is said to have recommended in one of his messages to Congress that \$1,000,000 be appropriated for the rebuilding of Long bridge into a magnificent structure as a connecting link between the twins.

Charged to His Vanity.

One of his opponents in Congress in a speech declared that the bridge and Jackson City were intended as a memorial to President Jackson for his aggrandizement and incidentally an advertisement for the new city which Jackson's adherents hoped would spring up at the south end of the bridge.

Another opponent on the floor of the House pooh-poohed the proposition, and exclaimed, dramatically:

claimed, dramatically:

"Who ever heard of spending one million dollars to build a bridge?"

A Virginian who believes that Alexandria county is still a part of the District said if the Supreme Court should so decide the Virginia shore of the Potomac would quickly be built up. Suburban settlements would appear, and n time the "off-river side of Washington" would be its manufacturing Washington" would be its manufacturing section. The territory between the river shore and Alexandria city, he added, would be particularly desirable for suburban resi-

Mr. Mackay's View. Mr. Crandall Mackay, commonwealth attorney for Alexandria county, in his response to the appeal of Nelson and La Fontaine is in form of a motion to quash. He contends in the first instance that the question of jurisdiction over the territory named can only be raised by the state of Virginia or the United States and cannot be raised by an individual, and then makes other contentions which appeared recently in The Star.

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FINAL SESSION HELD.

International Sanitary Congress Con-

cludes Its Deliberations.

The final session of the International Sanitary Congress was held yesterday afternoon in the Willard, commencing at 2 sitting near the stove of his home, at 345 o'clock. The resolutions upon which dis- Wilson street northwest. The police were cussions had been made, codifying all advised of the death and they had the body measures destined to guard the public health against invasion or the remedies notified last night, but he made no anagainst yellow fever and cholera, were signed by the delegates from each of the republics, including Chile, Costa Rica, Ecuador, Peru, Mexico, Nicaragua, Uru-

Practically little dissension preceded the adoption of each clause, though one or two with special reference to the origin of the yellow fever epidemic in New Orleans pro-voked heated argument. As adopted the draft failed to charge the local authorities at New Orleans with being in any measure responsible for the yellow plague which has been raging there for several months, most of the delegates taking the broad stand that prevalence of the disease resulted from a cause purely scientific and not because of a lack of precaution on the part of the

as the professional view of the various delegates, who are famed as experts in coping with yellow fever, and who were sent to the conference because of their knowledge in this particular phase of med-ical investigation. The signing of the reso-

thanks were extended to President Theo-dore Roosevelt for his cordial co-operation upon the inauguration of the conference, for his expressions of good-will and for the

pressing appreciation of the service ren-dered by the Washington newspapers in reports of the proceedings, and Surg. Gen.
Walter Wyman was commended for the
admirable manner in which he had presided
over their deliberations.

A word of thanks was also offered by the

delegates from the Spanish-American republics to the representatives of the United States for their hospitality and good fellowship during the meetings of the con-The draft of resolutions on the yellow fever problem, which was signed by each of the delegates ad referendum, will eventual-ly be presented to the heads of the various

At the close of the convention the mem-bers mingled socially and exchanged felicitations upon the success attending the con-ference and the effect of the action taken upon the future of diseases

Depot Quartermaster Gets Pier at Foot of K Street Southwest.

Capt. A. B. Butt, depot quartermaster

United States army, in charge of the quartermaster's office here, has closed a conupon them by said act and the silent acquiescence of the public authority of the United States therein; and that no inconvenience may result from such repeal, they humbly pray that rights and privileges duties and obligations heretofore received and incurred by acquiescence in the silent section of the silent section. tract with Mr. A. G. Forsberg, whereby he secures the use of the pler at the foot of K street southwest for the use of the vessels attached to the army quartermasincurred by acquiescence in the validity of said act of retrocession, may be preserved up to the time of said repeal as fully as if the act of July 9, 1846, had not been reter's service here. The pier will be used as a berth for the army tugs Lieut. Alonzo Cushing and Gibbon, the tenders to Fort Washington and Fort Hunt. A large warehouse is to be built on the wharf and all transfers of freight and stores from this city to the forts will be made from this wharf. It is understood the government will take possession of the pier within the next day or two. Since the army tugs have been in service between this city and the forts they have been using the pier built by the District for the Naval Battalion, D. C. N. G.

> New Fire Apparatus in Service. Engine Company No. 16 was called about

o'clock last evening when flames were discovered issuing from the third floor of the house at 1107 E street northwest. The Mc-Gill & Wallace Printing Company occupy the premises. The damage was limited to \$20. No cause for the starting of the fire \$20. No cause for the starting of the fire could be discovered. No. 16 engine company recently received a new engine and this is one of the first times the big machine has seen actual service,

Stepped on Match-Fire.

fire in a house at 2602 L street northwest, occupied by Charles Tingstrum, about 8 o'clock last evening resulted in damage to the amount of \$20. It is supposed that the flames were started by some one step-8 o'clock last evening resulted in damage

SUDDEN DEATH.

George R. Thomas Believed to Have Been Victim of Dropsy.

George R. Thomas, colored, dropped dead last evening about 9 o'clock, while he was sent to the morgue. Coroner Nevitt was nouncement regarding an inquest,

Mr. Thomas, who was fifty years old, has been complaining of illness for several days, but he was sitting up yesterday. While he was surrounded by several friends and relatives he was seen suddenly to pitch from the chair and fall to the floor behind the stove. His friends rushed to his assistance, but he died within a few moments. His death is attributed to dropsy.

BRILLIANT METEOR DESCENDS.

Was in the Form of an Arc Electric Globe.

A small but brilliant meteor fell in Washington Friday night in the vicinity of 14th street and Massachusetts avenue. According to Mr. T. R. Crissey of 1423 Massachusetts avenue the meteor, while not large, was of great brilliancy and made an impressive appearance as it shot earthward. It was seen by Mr. Crissey's daughter, and is described as having been of the form of an arc electric globe and had a tail of fire like a small comet.

Mr. Crissey says the meteor passed over

his house, and immediately following its appearance there was a loud report, whether caused by the explosion of the meteor or not could not be determined. No one at the naval observatory saw the celestial visitor.

INSPECTION OF LICENSES.

Revenue Cutter Officials Surprise the Local Boat Owners. The officers of the revenue cutter Win-

dom, before she left here for Baltimore Friday morning last, rounded up all the oyster and freight-carrying vessels in the harbor and made a general inspection of their license papers to determ ne if the law requiring all vessels to have properly executed licenses is being observed. Lieut. Mel and his officers boarded fifteen or twenty vessels lying at the 11th street wharf and at anchor in the stream, and as far as can be ascertained found all with properly executed papers for the present year. As this is the first time in a numper of years the revenue cutters have overhauled the papers of vessels lying in the harbor here the ceremony caused considerable excitement, and all kinds of rumors went the rounds while the revenue service officers were aboard the boats. As soon as the inspection of the vessels was over the Windom raised her anchor and set sail for Baltimore.

Mail Wagon and Car Collided.

Mail wagon No. 11, driven by Willias. Brown and Daniel Wine, was struck about 10 o'clock last evening by a car of the 4 street line at 6th street and Missouri avenue northwest. One of the horses will slightly cut in the collision, and the fender of the car was damaged. No one was hurt

Woman Injured by Fall. While alighting from a car of the 14th

street line at 7th street and Pennsylvanic avenue northwest about 8 o'clock last evening a woman giving her name as Mrs. Northam, seventy years old, of 22 E street northwest, fell to the payement and was slightly injured about the face. She refused to go to the hospital.

A HILL TALE A BLUNT OLD COLORADO MINER ON POSTUM.

A clergyman may be eloquent, may use the choicest language, dressing his earnest desire to help his fellowman in the most elevated, chaste and beautiful language, and yet not touch the hearts of his hearers. Another man, having little education and no grace of speech whatsoever, may tell his message in the common, everyday ver-nacular he is used to, and the simple faith that glows within him carries quick conviction with it. Such a man writes from the towering peaks of Colorado, preaching of Postum:

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of an altercation with William Palmer yesterday morning at the Brennan Construction Company's plant, in Georgetown. Pal-mer was arrested last night by Officer Pe-stitution of the United States could not be mer was arrested last night by Officer Peterson of the seventh precinct, charged with the assault, and was locked up. Both men are colored laborers at the plant in Georgetown, and yesterday morning they became engaged in an altercation. That resulted in blows, and Palmer used his

shovel over the head of the other. The blow stunned Martin and he fell unconscious. He was sent to the Emergency Hospital by the police. It is thought by the hospital authorities that he will recover. Palmer escaped at the time, but the offi-cers were put on the trall and his capture followed several hours later. Ever Ride Your Bicycle Now?

to desist from making any further raids there until the question is settled. Should the decision of the Richmond court be against the contention of the pool room men it is hinted they may appeal the case to the United States Supreme Court and have the question settled once for all.

The retrocession of the Virginia portion
of the tract to that state was brought
about, a leading Virginian avers, by a majority of only about 700 votes of citizens of Alexandria city and county. The claim is made that the question at issue was virtually a constitutional one and should have been submitted for a decision to all the people of the United States.

"The spectacle was presented," said the Virginian, "of the Constitution being changed by the votes of a mere handful of people. Daniel Webster contended that the

Judge Waddill has ordered the common-

wealth attorney for Alexandria county

action taken was clearly unconstitutional, and later Gen. Benjamin F. Butler made amended by the ballots of a few hundreds of voters in Alexandria county and town." It is related that some years ago R. A. Phillips refused to pay taxes to the state of Virginia on property situated in what is known as Alexandria county. The state instituted proceedings and the matter was taken to the Supreme Court of the United States. That body, however, threw the case out of court as one in which it had no jurisdiction, declaring that the points on which Phillips asked for a decision could only be brought legally before the Supreme Court upon the application of the state and not an individual. In other words, the Supreme Court declared there was no case before it. At the time of the Phillips controversy it was openly declared that a vote of the people of Alexandria county would result in an overwhelming expression in favor of the return of the territory to the District.

both Virginia and the District of Columbia that the vexed question which continues at intervals to be brought up on one pretext or another should be finally settled, and the hope has been expressed that the matter may be taken up by Attorney General Moody with that object in view and with eventual relief from the Supreme Court. Mr. R. S. Lacey, a citizen of Alexandria county, several years ago claimed that "the act of retrocession of 1846 was clearly a constitutional wrong." Petition for Repeal. Several years ago a petition was circulated for signatures by some of the leading

citizens of Alexandria county. It was ad-

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pealed

dressed "to the Senate and House of Representatives in Congress assembled," and was as follows: "The undersigned, citizens, inhabitants and property holders of that portion of the District of Columbia known as Alexandria county, Virginia, and which was undertaken, but without authority of law, and in violation of the Constitution of the Valted States to be extraceded to the state. United States, to be retroceded to the state of Virginia by the provisions of an act of Congress passed on the 9th day of July, 1846, respectfully represent and petition:

"That the said act of Congress-though unconstitutional, as above stated-has been so long silently acquiesced in by the United States and the state of Virginia that your petitioners are denied the right to assert, in the appropriate judicial tribunals, the un-constitutionality of the said act of Con-gress, and are not permitted to have or enjoy the equal rights, privileges and advan-tages which belong to them as citizens of the District of Columbia. Ask That Wrong Be Righted.

"And they, therefore, humbly pray that

America in Congress assembled:

"That the act entitled an act to retrocede the county of Alexandria, in the Distirct of Columbia, to the state of Virginia, and approved July 9, 1846, be and the same is hereby repealed; provided, however, that all rights and privileges, duties and obligations heretofore received and incurred under said act of retrocession shall be fully preserved, and shall in nowise be affected thereby." Derelict Destroyer Ready for Service. The United States naval collier Lebanon, which has recently been equipped with appllances for the destruction of derelicts along the coast, has arrived at Norfolk from Portsmouth, N. H., and is ready for service. The Lebanon's a steel-hull steamship of 1,157 tons and is 249 feet long. She was built in 1894 at Philadelphia, and was purchased by the navy for a collier, and

to maintain and secure the same in the

courts of the United States in the District

of Columbia, without the unjust restraint

put upon them by said act and the silent

"Be it enacted by the Senate and House

of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled:

this wrong and injustice may no longer be continued, but be speedily corrected by the Beappointed Notary Public. repeal of the said act of retrocession, and Mr. Phillips' Declaration.

that the inhabitants of the said territory be the plant of the said territory be thereby restored not only to their rights.

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guay, Cuba and the United States.

health authorities at New Orleans.

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lutions drafted was the last act of the convention. Resolutions were unanimously adopted thanking Dr. Ulloa for his valuable services to the convention and for the many cour-

tesies which he has shown the members during its sessions.

With hearty cheering and hand-clapping

for his expressions of good-will and for the cordial address with which he greeted the delegates upon the occasion of their recent visit to the White House.

A resolution was adopted thanking Senor Gonzalo de Quesada for his many courtesies and his hospitality. The Bankers' Association of the District of Columbia was thanked for its courtesles, as was also the Cos-mos Club. Resolutions were adopted ex-

vention in Washington.

governments represented, and, it is con-ceded, will be formally ratified.

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was in that service until made a derelict destroyer. She paid a visit to this city about three years ago.

time I tried it, but had it made stronger and boiled longer till it tasted as good as good cof-